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Press Release

American Breakdance Group HaviKoro in Kyrgyzstan

On October 1-5, 2008, the American breakdance group HaviKoro will visit the Kyrgyz Republic for a series of performances and meetings. The visit is sponsored by the U.S. Embassy in the Kyrgyz Republic, the U.S. Department of State's Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs, the American Voices Association, and the cultural-educational foundation "Ordo-Sakhna." HaviKoro will hold performances in Bishkek, Karabalta and Kant. The group will also give master classes, meet with students, and participate in battles with Kyrgyz breakdance groups.

HaviKoro is a group of friends that bring a positive message representing the diversity of American culture to young people around the world through break dance, rap and other forms of hip hop style. They are experienced in teaching and performing several types of dance such as break dancing, popping and funk. The members of HaviKoro, Christopher Gamez, Christopher Thomas, Isaac Barron, Moises Rivas, and Amado Ramirez, have toured all over the world, including Russia, France, Germany, Japan, South Korea, New Zealand, Great Britain, and Switzerland. The group headlined the Baku Jazz Festival 2004 in Azerbaijan as part of the American Voices' "Houston Artists Abroad" program.

HaviKoro has toured in all major U.S. cities and has performed together with artists like Destiny's Child, Common, Limp Bizkit, Biz Markie, Coolio, Black Eyed Peas, Tre9, P.O.D., Geno V, Soulfruit, Tony Touch, Planet Funk, and sports teams such as the Houston Rockets and the Houston Comets.

Below is HaviKoro's schedule of events:

Wednesday, October 1, 2008

16:30 Performance on the square of the House of Culture in Karabalta

Thursday, October 2, 2008

10:00 Press conference at the AKIPress Agency

11:30 Meeting with high school students in Kant

12:30 Master class for dance groups of Chui Oblast in Kant

23:00 Breakdance battle "Kings of da floor" in Apple nightclub

Saturday, October 4, 2008

16:00 Master class for breakdance groups of Bishkek in front of the Kyrgyz State History Museum

Sunday, October 5, 2008

19:00 Performance in the Palace of Sports named after Kozhomkul

Members of the press interested in attending the events of HaviKoro should contact the Public Affairs Section of the U.S. Embassy in the Kyrgyz Republic at 55-12-41 ext. 4446 or (0555) 777-534